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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Sir,

In response to the interview held on May 15, 2009, this Statement of Substance of Interview includes a description of discussed features of Applicant's invention as compared to the devices disclosed in Burgermeister and Uflacker.

Examiner asked Applicant to describe the invention as disclosed in the present application. Applicant explained that an important feature of the invention is that the connecting elements are at least twice as long as each of the zig-zag elements since this will improve the flexibility of the device. Examiner acknowledged that upon a cursory review of the Burgermeister and Uflacker references, they did not appear to teach this feature, but noted that Applicant's specification may not provide sufficient support for an amendment that would claim this feature. However, although Examiner suggested filing a continuation-in-part more fully describing all features of

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the invention to increase the likelihood of finding allowable subject matter, upon review Applicant identified direct support in the specification for amendment that Applicant considers would claim the above mentioned feature. Applicant therefore will submit a detailed next Amendment to Examiner to justify claiming this feature on the basis of the current specification.

Respectfully submitted,

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